

**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** May 31, 1983

**TO:** Warner Reeser

**FROM:** John Blueyes *JB*

**SUBJECT:** Meeting with Pueblo of Laguna and Bureau of Indian Affairs

Confidential Claim Retracted

Authorized by: *SC*

Date: *6/12/13*

The subject meeting was held at the office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Division of Energy and Minerals on May 26, 1983. The meeting pertained to the tribe's request for assistance from the BIA for reclamation of the Jackpile-Paguate Mine. Specific requests by the Pueblo of Laguna included assistance in reviewing studies on highwalls, hydrology, waste pile slopes, and heap leaching operations. These issues have a bearing on the manner in which the mine will be reclaimed and the possibility of the tribe undertaking a heap leaching operation.

The BIA stated that it is limited by its manpower and funding levels. Its present funding for fiscal years 1983 and 1984 is fully allocated. However, due to the emergency nature of the situation, the BIA will assist the tribe as much as possible with its limited resources. The BIA requested copies of past studies by CERT for the Pueblo of Laguna to use as background material and to prevent duplication of effort. I will send the BIA some of the reports that were requested.

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